



NEW YORK JUNIOR TENNIS LEAGUE

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### Freshman Year College Preparation Checklist

<b>September – December</b>	<b>January – March</b>	<b>April – June</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Enjoy school! Not only as a prelude to college but as a place where you are developing as a student and as a person.</li><li>✓ Establish strong study habits and time management techniques.</li><li>✓ Develop a reading plan that includes newspapers, magazines and books.</li><li>✓ Learn how to use the library, computer and Internet resources.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Work to enhance your reading and writing abilities and vocabulary proficiency.</li><li>✓ Keep up your grades.</li><li>✓ Plan your sophomore year schedule with care. Take classes appropriate for you. Push yourself but know your limits. Colleges look carefully at your classes (and not just your grades). Pursue extracurricular activities and perhaps investigate new activities in which you would like to participate.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Think about your interests and how those interests might translate into career options. But keep your career options open. Investigate lots of possibilities.</li><li>✓ Pay attention to what friends and others are saying about their college experiences. Think about your own goals for college.</li><li>✓ Meet with your college counselor. Find out about college planning resources available in your school. <b>This is a must in grades 11 and 12.</b></li><li>✓ Consider an interesting summer job, travel, or other learning experience.</li></ul>